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It is rumored in Tsingtao that MAO Tse-tung died on 7 July, either from assassination or natural causes. The rumor is gaining credence for the following reasons:

- a. No speech was recorded for MAO in Peiping during the 7 July celebration. Only speeches for CHU Teh and CHOU En-lai were recorded.
- b. The chairman for the celebration in Peiping was CHOU En-lai, not MAO.
- c. At a mass meeting on the Tsingtao race course, cheers were asked for the Party, CHU Teh and CHOU En-lai, but not for MAO.
- d. Grey-clad political police in Tsingtao were called to a special meeting at 3 a. m. on 7 July. They did not appear at the race course in any large force during the mass meeting and celebration.
- e. It is rumored that MAO was admitted to the Peiping Union Medical Center on the morning of 7 July.

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